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In re Application of:

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Application No.: 09/352,661

Batch No.:

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For: Method and Apparatus for Recording
Incidents



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DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF ACCOMPANYING PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

Reason VIII – Special Procedure: Search Was Made

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, District of Columbia 20231

Dear Sir/Madam

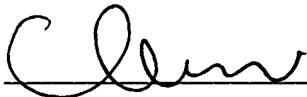
As a below named inventor and in support of the accompanying Petition To Make Special, I hereby declare that:

1. All claims are directed to a single invention, or if the Office determines that all claims presented are not obviously directed to a single invention, I will make the required election without traverse as a prerequisite to the grant of special status.
2. A pre-examination, prior art search was made by myself using IBM Patent Server on the subject of automatic accident recording device for a period of 20 years. In addition, searches made by the USPTO earlier during the examination of then application 09/052,188 which matured to be patent 5,899,956 by the same

inventor of this application has revealed no prior arts in this field other than those listed in the Information Disclosure Statement accompanies with this declaration.

3. An Information Disclosure Statement is being filed along with this Petition to Make Special. This Statement contains a detailed discussion of the references deemed most closely related to the subject matter encompassed by the claims of the present invention. A copy of each of these references has been enclosed with the Information Disclosure Statement.
4. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on the information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Title 18, United States Code, Section 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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